It snowed....

Everyone gets into the act. Little Paul Grenier, 6, works hard at shovelling the driveway along with his mother, Karen, (middle) and boarder, Sybil Glass.
(Photo by Tracey Chagnon)

and snowed

Here is a common sight. Many cars became stuck on Champlain Avenue during the worst snow storm since '77. Bob Boc and his boarder, Jamie, had the arduous task of freeing the family car.
(Photo by Tracey Chagnon)

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Housing development in Toronto helps working students

Students who plan to go to Toronto on co-op placements or to seek summer or full time employment will be relieved to know there is a housing development geared to accommodate them at a reasonable rate.

Marianne MacLeod, housing co-ordinator for Neill-Wycik Co-operative, said students can apply for a four-month lease in the 22-storey high rise complex situated across from Ryerson Polytechnical Institute in downtown Toronto.

The building is sectioned into four-person, five-person or six-person units, each including two bathrooms and one kitchen.

"Students run the building with their rules and they are expected to volunteer for custodial duties," Miss MacLeod said.

Rent is $190 a month for a furnished single room and $150 to share a double room in the 650-member building. As half is used as a hotel in the summer for conventions and conferences, it is wise to apply early.

Miss Macleod said it is on a first-come, first-served basis "but students get top priority." She emphasized there is a housing shortage in Toronto.

It is interesting for the students, Miss MacLeod said, because "you live in a student environment." An education committee takes care of facilities such as an exercise room, typing room, darkroom, woodshop area and pottery room.

Anyone interested in leasing can do so through the co-op liaison office at Niagara College. Application forms are available in counselling in Tecumseh, or students can write to Marianne MacLeod at 96 Gerrard St. East, Toronto, M5B 1G7.

SAC elections

Students vote March 19, 20

BULLETIN

At press time last Thursday, John Ingribelli, NC's Choice candidate for athletics vice-president, withdrew from the elections because he did not meet the requirements.

The Niagara News report below describes the situation up to 1.30 p.m. Thursday.

By RUSS DUHAIME
Staff Writer

A recent byelection in Niagara Falls had a record 12 candidates running for mayor. At Niagara College, however, the nomination period for the March 19 and 20 Student Administrative Council (SAC) elections was extended because only one candidate was running for president.

Denis Noel, SAC president, said it was necessary to extend the nomination period "to provide fair representation." The students must have a choice for this position. "It's not right that a president win by acclamation." The extension proved worthwhile as a second candidate signed up to run for president.

Denis wants to encourage the students to get out and vote. Posters are being placed all over the college so students will be aware of the election dates and times. "The way I look at it is the people who don't vote don't have a right to complain if things start going wrong."

For candidates' platforms and pictures, see Pages 8 and 9.

Last year there was a record voter turnout with 25 per cent of the student body voting. "I would like to see that record broken but I don't think it will happen," Denis said.

POOR PARTICIPATION

He reflected on the poor participation in many of the SAC events throughout the year. "There doesn't seem to be much enthusiasm around the school but I hope the students prove me wrong."

Fifteen candidates round out the field for the race for seven positions on the SAC executive. There are two parties and one independent candidate.

The independent is James Brickell, who is running for vice-

See 'Elections' pg. 8

Poor finish

Disappointing, gut-wrenching, nerve-racking. This best describes Niagara's sports teams' games over the last week.

On a last-second basket, the women's basketball team lost by one point while the men's hockey team — playing in the semifinals — lost a tough 5-4 decision after blowing a 3-0 lead.

The curling teams also fell victim to tough luck and, for the first time in three years, will not be in the championships.

The men's basketball team kept the losing streak intact as they also fell victim to the opposition.

In the midst of all this — thank heavens for badminton!

See pages 13, 14 and 15 for details.

$6 million to be spent on WV renovations

By JUDY MCEWEN
Staff Writer

Upgrading Welland Vale Campus — inside and out — will cost more than $6 million, Niagara College president Jacqueline Robarts said.

If proposals, by architect I. T. Griffiths, are implemented, the changes should make Welland Vale, in St. Catharines, a "top-rate campus."

Expecting the project will be built and financed over the next three or four years, Miss Robarts said major changes include the addition of second and third floors to the machine shop, a new main entrance and a separate 6,600 square foot industrial maintenance building. A fourth floor will be added to the main building and major renovations done to the inside.

MOVE ENTRANCE

The main entrance, now awkwardly placed on the riverside and leading to the second floor, will be changed to the opposite side, close to the parking lot, and will include a ramp.

Renovations to the main building, the original part of which was constructed in 1905, will include moving the cafeteria from the third floor to the main floor but with a mezzanine.

The food lab, formerly on the third floor with the cafeteria, will be on the first floor accessible to the new cafeteria.

The library will be moved to the second floor from the first, while administrative and counselling offices will move from the second floor to the first.

The second floor will contain science, drafting, testing, and electronics industrial control rooms. The third floor will include student lounges, an assembly room, simulated electronics navigation room and diesel simulator room.

A fourth floor addition to the main building will be used for marine engineering and navigation programs.

First priority will be construction of the second and third floors to the building's wing, so classrooms can be moved before renovations of the main building begin.

Estimated costs of about $5.5 million, which do not include architectural and engineering fees and furniture and equipment, will probably exceed $6 million, Miss Robarts said.

However, building the whole thing from scratch, including land purchase, would probably cost $12 million, she added.

With so much skills training done at small "satellite campuses," it makes sense to make this a "top-rate campus," with the programs under one roof.

JIM MACLEAN

KAREN HEWITT

Roving Reporter

By PAULINE KING
and SUE KMITA
Staff Writers

Student Administrative Council (SAC) pubs are selling only beer and wine. Niagara News roving reporters asked students if they thought liquor should be served at the pubs, in addition to the wine and beer.

KEVIN HEWITT

Vince Montagano, 19, second-year electronics: Definitely, I think they should. Girls would rather have a mixed drink. I am a scotch fan myself. Girls don't like to drink beer all the time.

Karen Schmidt, 21, third-year industrial management: Yes, I'm not a beer drinker myself. I can't drink too much of the beer.

Graham Rickard, 21, second-year sales merchandising: Yes, the wine they serve is poor. A lot more people would come, a variety.

Karen Hewitt, 19, first-year health sciences preparatory: Probably, yeah. I don't drink beer or wine and I don't drink anything else. I think it would please other people's tastes.

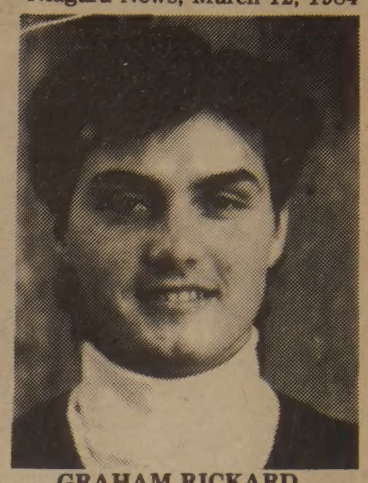
Dave Miller, 21, third-year industrial management: No, I don't like it. I think a selection of wine and beer is efficient. Working in a bar, I know. It is a lot less complicated just serving beer and wine.

Nora Hunt, 19, first year health sciences preparatory: The reason

NORA HUNT

I don't go is because I don't like beer or wine. Also, there has not been anybody there that I would like to see.

Andre Plouffe, 21, second-year general college: Sure, I think there should be liquor and not just beer and wine. A lot of girls enjoy mixed drinks rather than beer. Then you get those who just enjoy beer. If you had mixed drinks, I think it would improve attendance.



GRAHAM RICKARD

Jim MacLean, 23, first-year industrial management: Liquor makes more money. You just have to keep it under control.

Kevin Hewitt, 20, second-year electronics: Yes, I don't drink beer. I don't like drinking wine all night either.

John Kriski, 19, second-year fine arts: Sure, why not. I like beer, but a lot of people don't. But then again, I'll drink anything.

CARSA helps women protect themselves

By TRACEY CHAGNON
Staff Writer

Women can learn to defend themselves effectively against rape and sexual assault, Kim Simon, co-ordinator of the Niagara Region Sexual Assault Centre (CARSA Inc.), said.

In Canadian society, a rape occurs every 17 minutes, and one out of four women is assaulted by the age of 18. CARSA is ready to help with two courses.

The Wen-Do women's defence course held on two days last month was designed specifically for women, Mrs. Simon said.

An eight-week course that began Feb. 29 is to train volunteers for public speaking or to counsel those who have been raped, sexually or incestuously assaulted.

Mrs. Simon said that generally, women do not have a lot of background in self-defence. Even though some of the women involved in past courses take lessons in karate or jujitsu, self-defence is something new to most of them.

The course at the centre will give women confidence when they realize that women do have strength and are able to defend themselves effectively, she said.

WOMEN ONLY

Developed in Toronto from a combination of martial arts and street fighting techniques, Wen-Do teaches awareness, avoidance and action against attacks. It's biggest advantage is its emphasis on women. It is taught by women and only women attend; this provides a non-competitive and supportive atmosphere.

The course to train counsellors and public speakers will consist of discussions, quizzes and general, medical and legal information, Mrs. Simon said. Listening skills will be taught as "it is important for a counsellor to listen." The course is designed to raise public awareness. "Some people think it (rape and sexual assault) does not happen in the Niagara area, but they are wrong," she said.

When a woman is raped she does not have to do anything about it, Mrs. Simon said. However, if she decides to report it, the woman should not shower and should keep on the clothes she wore at the time she was raped. She should also go to the hospital for an examination as physical evidence will be needed. If the woman does not report it, she should still see the doctor for a pregnancy test and a test for venereal disease "just to be safe."

Last year, the centre had 100 crisis calls including incest, she said. After an assault, a person from the centre will accompany the woman to the hospital or the police station. They will also counsel women over the telephone and face-to-face, visit schools and community groups, and have a library of information for women or other interested persons.

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Retired school of nursing secretary Effie Hodgson says she will miss the busy office environment.
(Photo by Carol Alaimo)

Effie Hodgson retires

By CAROL ALAIMO
Staff Writer

Effie Hodgson wouldn't be caught dead in a rocking chair.

"I guess I'm not your usual retired person," says the woman who wrapped up 16 years as secretary to the chairman of the school of nursing on Feb. 24.

"I like to be out with people and on the go. This is going to be a big adjustment for me."

Mrs. Hodgson looks very much like a woman on the go, dressed in a grey tweed suit and silk blouse. Her silver hair sparkles as she talks of her past and future.

She came to the school of nursing in 1968 before it was affiliated with Niagara College. Re-entering the work force after raising her family, she was "thrilled" to have landed the job at the then-Mack School of Nursing.

Mrs. Hodgson's retirement "leaves a terrible gap in our operations," said dean of health sciences Fred Habermehl. "She is a very delightful, elegant lady — and always a lady. She was extremely efficient and knew her job inside out."

While her newly-acquired freedom "will take some getting used to," Mrs. Hodgson smiles as she thinks of the time she'll have now for spoiling her two young granddaughters.

Mack Centre staff honored Mrs. Hodgson with a party at the Parkway Inn on the evening of her last day on the job.

Workerless manufacturing may be on '85 curriculum

By CAROL ALAIMO
Staff Writer

Training in the concepts of workerless factories may be coming to Niagara College by 1985, says the chairman of the mechanical civil division of the school of technology.

In competition for government funding with other Ontario colleges, Niagara is studying proposals for a flexible manufacturing centre, including a system that can be expanded to eliminate the need for workers. Training will begin in 1985 if Niagara's proposals are approved by the province, said chairman Larry Hoy.

Area manufacturers have communicated the need for increased productivity studies to the community college system, Mr. Hoy said, and Niagara "decided to go with a study of flexible manufacturing systems."

Increased automation is "a fact of life that must be faced not only in the Niagara peninsula, not only in Canada, but in all of North America," he said. While completely workerless factories "will not become reality for about 30 years," flexible manufacturing concepts will probably be used first to automate entire departments or limited sections of factories.

Social concern about higher unemployment caused by use of the system "is out of proportion" and cannot be an impediment to progress, Mr. Hoy said, but one division chairman feels it is a "very real concern."

Mr. Hoy said, "The implications would be horrendous if industry or the government chose not to go this route (of increased automation). Manufacturing in Canada would die, and all the jobs people were worried about losing would then be lost forever to companies in Europe and Asia."

"Whatever critics are saying about it, we are finished as a manufacturing nation if we don't do it."

Concerns about unemployment increases are "overrated" because people in industry have demonstrated in the past that they can learn new skills when necessary, he said, adding that the new program, if developed, will have an "extremely strong" element of worker skill retraining.

He said it would be at least 10 years before the real impact of any job displacement would be felt at the local level and that industry is expecting a transition period for previously unskilled workers to learn maintenance and operation of automated equipment.

Details of the proposed flexible manufacturing centre are unavailable at this time because the project is still in the study stages, Mr. Hoy said. When the study is complete, a proposal for funding will be sent to the ministry of colleges and universities. Other Ontario colleges will also submit proposals, and grant money will be awarded on the technical merit of the proposed programs in relation to their communities.

"It all depends on Ottawa saying they want it here," said Mr. Hoy. "We have our own ideas and they have theirs, but I think we stand a reasonable chance."

George Campbell, co-ordinator of manufacturing engineering, a program that would be affected by the creation of the centre, told the News he agrees with the need for increased automation study but sees higher unemployment as "a very real concern" because some workers are not capable of being retrained.

People who have been using their hands to make a living will be being asked to start using their brains instead, he said. "What it amounts to is people with Grade 9 or 10 educations who are now working in factories will be 'biting the biscuit.' They have had it."

"We keep hearing that these people can be absorbed into the service industry, but I question whether the service industry isn't already becoming saturated."

Mr. Campbell said the cry for shorter work weeks will grow stronger as there are fewer and fewer jobs to go around.

"We are going to have to get used to the fact of nine to 10 per cent unemployment. That's something that bothers a lot of people.

"We are going to have to provide for social systems to take care of all these people," he added.

Will consider liquor with serious requests

By SUE KMITA
Staff Writer

Any serious requests for liquor at pubs would be definitely looked into, Dr. Nora McCardell, director of educational student services, said. Only beer and wine are sold.

The licence the college has allows beer and wine to be served with snacks at the Student Administrative Council (SAC)-sponsored pubs. Dr. McCardell said if liquor were served, there would have to be food served which would meet requirements of the Liquor Licence Board of Ontario.

Research would have to be done if the licence were changed to have liquor served. Dr. McCardell said there would have to be a monitoring procedure set up of serving liquor by the ounce. It would mean devising a process of counting inventory, serving, and staffing

COLLEGE RESPONSIBLE

"We are also responsible to the community and the inter-relations with liquor and driving would have to be studied."

Dr. McCardell said it would be easier if the students had an off-campus recreational area because if problems or accidents occurred, the college would not be held responsible. Even if the liquor licence were held by SAC, the college could be held responsible for accidents because of it being on school property.

Referring to a proposal to build a student centre, Dr. McCardell said it might be better off-campus for obtaining a licence where liquor can be served, but it would be better for the students if the student centre was "plunked right on the middle" of college grounds.

'COSTLY PROCEDURE'

Denis Noel, SAC president, said having liquor served at the pubs would be "a costly procedure." He said if there were a high demand by students for liquor then an appropriate licence would be applied for. However, about one person at a pub will come and ask if liqour is served. Denis said when they find no liquor is served, they order a beer.

Since 1981, light beer and wine have been added to regular beer at the pubs. Dr. McCardell said they were added, after pressure from women about only regular beer being sold.

Areas in the college licensed for beer and wine are the cafeteria, staff dining room, Tecumseh lounge and the Rainbow Hotel Dining Room in Niagara Falls.

Awards for students

Four manufacturing engineering technology students have each received $200 cash awards for academic excellence through an American research foundation.

Only two colleges in Canada have been selected by the Forging Industry Educational Research Foundation to receive award grant money, says manufacturing engineering co-ordinator George Campbell. Fewer than 25 North American colleges and universitites are selected each year.

First-year students Dennis Gomes and Rick Pettigrew, and second-year students Joseph Vrban and Michael Robert had the highest overall grade point averages in the program and were selected for the awards by Mr. Campbell.

The Cleveland-based research foundation began donating the yearly award money three years ago to promote student and educator interest in the forging industry, Mr. Campbell said, adding the Niagara peninsula has the highest concentration of forging companies in Canada.

Niagara College was chosen as a recipient after research foundation executives toured the college's facilities and examined its manufacturing engineering technology program, he said.

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EDITORIALS

Trudeau's finest

It is small wonder that all the knocks and character assassinations against Pierre Trudeau have levelled off now that he has announced that he will retire. It is the way most controversial politicians of influence are treated once they have left the political spectrum.

During his 16-year tenure Trudeau has undergone criticism in heaping portions for his offhanded manner and aggressive policies both of which may have denied him some of the credit he deserves for his accomplishments.

One need only look as far at the national energy policy, the reform of the Crowsnest Pass, his role in the Quebec Referendum and the Constitution to see what those are.

Considering him as prime minister, Canadians seemed more aware of his one-fingered salute than his push for bilingualism. They were also more aware of his naming some of the unemployed as credit-card carrying revolutionaries than they were his revisions of family allowances and guaranteed income supplement for the aged, policies which have aided millions of Canadians.

His vicious one-liners to hecklers and the press may not have won him any acclaim for being cool-headed but should not detract from the many benefits he has given Canada, benefits which by far outweigh the drawbacks.

In the last few months Canadians have been out to get him as if it were a national duty. His popularity last October at 26 per cent was the lowest in the 40-year history of the Gallup poll.

Chances are Canadians in the future will look with some longing at the past when comparing our next Prime Minister with Trudeau. His talent as a spokesman for Canada and his ability to stick to his guns in any manner of opposition will be missed.

It is no surprise that Brian Mulroney and others in parliament should turn their jeers into cheers for Trudeau now that he will soon be out of their way.

DON ROSS

Eradicate prejudice

The year 1984 is in full swing and all the world problems still surround our everyday life: pollution, unemployment and the threat of nuclear disaster.

There is another human hang-up that plagues the mind which came to my attention at a college sporting event.

Prejudice — a lot of people don't think about it any more but it still exists, not just between blacks and whites but among all races of people and all religions even to the point of war.

On a smaller scale prejudiced people are all around us. The problem reared its ugly head at a college ballgame last month. One team was black and the other white.

The game was close and crowd participation high; comments from the crowd were prejudiced but made to sound as if they were just in fun. But deep down they weren't; the feeling of seriousness was there.

The fact remains that some people still have these feelings and let them come out on such occasions.

With all the other problems in the world, maybe people should try to eradicate these petty prejudices and treat each other as we are, regardless of race or religion — as human beings.

Murray Stewart

Thaw before the storm

This picture of Balls Falls was taken just a few days before the blizzard struck. Mother Nature pulled a dirty trick by sending us a week of warm weather, raising hopes of an early spring, and then, when we least expected it, sending the worst snowstorm in seven years.

(Photo by Judy McEwen)

In Other Words

Tip of chapeau for coverage

Value, impact of photojournalism

Dear Editor:

Your centrefold on the Horticultural Technician Program (13, Feb., 1984) exemplifies the value and impact of photo-journalism. You captured the scope of the education we are offering in an expanding and challenging industry.

Please extend my thanks to your photographers for focussing attention on one of Niagara's most successful programs.

G.A. Blazetich, Chairman
Academic Studies Division

Contributing to turnout

Dear Editor:

Thank you for the excellent publicity that you gave to our Niagara College Blood Clinic. Your effort and co-operation certainly contributed to the turnout of the 310 donors.

It is so nice to know that we can count on you.

Once again thanks to everyone. The Welland Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society does appreciate your effort.

Sincerely

Marjorie Frith
Clinic Organizer

Dr. Alcock coverage

Dear Editor:

Dr. Norman Alcock, a nuclear scientist and scholar, delivered a learned lecture at the college on international affairs.

The substance of his lecture was covered well by the Niagara News in the front page article by Linda MacLeod.

The display given to Dr. Alcock's message is a tribute to your newspaper's continuing desire to keep the college community — students, staff and faculty — well informed on important issues surrounding us today.

James Nicholas,
Instructor
International Affairs

Major thanks for army story

Dear Editor:

Re: Army seeks recruits
Chance for Part-time work
Niagara News 13 Feb. 84.

In these times of protests and peace marches, it is refreshing to see such an article printed in a college publication.

I'm most pleased with the way this story about the 10th Battery was written.

Mr. Duhaime is to be commended on his fine reporting and the unbiased manner of writing his story.

In closing, let me extend my thanks to you and your department for a fine article and such good publicity.

Major B.A. McDonnell,
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While the Niagara News invites, and welcomes, letters from its readers, we cannot print anonymous letters. Letters may be published with a pseudonym if the writer desires, but we must know the writer's identity.

Bullpit

Stand against dung, hats off to Board

By DON BERNARD
Staff Writer

Hats off to Welland Separate School Board for its stand against pet owners taking their dogs for walks in school yards and allowing them to leave calling cards.

The board will post signs barring pets from school property. This could be a model for Niagara College to follow.

Every day residents near the college take their terriers, Irish wolfhounds, or heaven forbid, St. Bernards to the college campus to defecate.

This is an outright insult to students who are forced to walk through an unbearable obstacle course risking an embarrassing accident.

Maybe we will not have to tolerate it any more. The administration should realize how unsanitary this unsightly, stinking offence is.

Alumni establishing communication link

The alumni association is establishing a communication link with graduates by having a student from each program act as an alumni representative.

Carmine Angi, chairman of the alumni board of directors, said the student elected should plan on staying in the region or close to the college. The representative would be required to attend the Board of Directors' meetings.

The main objective of having program representatives is to keep in contact with fellow graduates who live in the area and if possible, provide feedback from their peers, Carmine said.

"This is one idea among others that we've had in improving communication links between students and the alumni association."

He is also asking program coordinators to help by arranging a time when student representatives can be elected.

Representatives can remain in this position as long as they can. However, Carmine said, the alumni association is in the process of establishing a formal constitution and the term of position will be clarified later.

Carmine said alumni representatives will be identifed in the newspaper which each active member receives. Carmine is in the Counselling Department on Tuesday and Thursday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. for further information.

TR Night set for April 13th

Businessmen, teachers and former graduates from throughout the Niagara peninsula will soon be gathering to put the spotlight on graduating technology students.

Niagara College's ninth annual Technical Report (TR) Night is set for April 13 and will highlight graduating students' projects that have taken up to one year to prepare.

The technical report is a practical application of technology classroom learning and is a prerequisite for graduation. Technology instructor Dr. Gordon Chen told the News Niagara College technical reports have a reputation for excellence that increases job opportunities for graduates.

TR night will kick off at 6 p.m. with a symposium followed by a roast beef dinner. Reports will be presented in the Hamilton Room at 8.30 p.m. Tickets are $8 each and are on sale in Room L-6.

Spectrum Waterbeds / Celebrity

Waterbeds: Sleeping comfort in high tide

By CAROL ALAIMO
Staff Writer

Sly winks and snickers greeted the waterbed owner of 10 years ago, but the industry has come a long way since the days when a waterbed was standard equipment in a hippie crash pad.

With their documented medical benefits and increased comfort and affordability, waterbeds are becoming more popular than conventional bedding, says a report released by the Waterbed Manufacturers Association (WMA).

Beneficial

Research findings most notably at Stanford Medical Centre, The University of California at San Diego and Prince Henry Hospital in Sydney, Australia, have found waterbeds beneficial for arthritis and insomnia victims, burn victims and the bedridden, and they have even been found to help increase premature infants' chances for normal development.

The stereotype of the Hugh Hefner purchaser is gone, local waterbed dealers agree. Today's purchasers are more likely to be couples in their 30s to 70s, some of whom have been sent by their family doctors to purchase a waterbed.

Insomnia sufferers have found increased ease in falling asleep without medication, the report says, and arthritis and backache sufferers have found sleeping on heated waterbeds reduces morning stiffness much like sleeping on a giant hot water bottle.

Perhaps the most startling research has been done on the waterbed's advantages for premature infants. Deprived of the movement normally brought about by flotation in the uterus during a full-term pregnancy, "preemies" have been found to thrive when placed in incubators equipped with flotation mattresses, the report says. Research has shown there are fewer lapses in breathing and less incidence of asymetrically-shaped head and skin problems in such infants.

Customers can choose from prices that start at about $200 and range to $2,500, depending upon the size, style and degree of wave control desired.

With today's ultra-waveless and semi-waveless options, a waterbed will stop its traditional "sloshing" in one to eight seconds.

The WMA report says consumer fears about floor collapse and electrocution form waterbeds are unfounded. Though a filled waterbed weighs from 700 to 1,100 pounds, the weight is distributed on a pedestal to 47 pounds per square foot, "which places less pressure on a floor than a refrigerator or a full bathtub." The liner surrounding a waterbed mattress would prevent a leak from reaching the electrical heating system, the report says.

Ranging styles

Available styles range from ultra modern to colonial to provincial in materials including pine, oak, brass and velvet. There are waterbeds with stereo and bookcase headboards and waterbeds with digital alarm clocks built into them.

And.....just in case Hugh Hefner should ever decide he wants one, there are canopied waterbeds with mirrored ceilings available.

And here's.....

By RENATA DINNOCENZO
Staff Writer

After having travelled more than 1,000 miles I had to stand in line for what seemed an eternity just to get in to see him.

Even to have only caught a glimpse of the multi-talented superstar would have been enough, but I actually met him face to face.

I knew he was where the crowds were rushing to; I followed the chanting of his name.

In the middle of a mass of people — most donning some sort of apparel with his picture on it — he stood graciously posing for pictures.

Finally pushing my way through the crowds, I was facing him.

My knees just about let out as I shook his white-gloved hand.

He spoke to me in that familiar high-pitched voice.

But I don't know what he said. I was too busy worrying about how I looked — was my hair a mess, had my mascara run?

I had to look good because it isn't every day that you meet someone famous. Let alone someone known around the world.

The crowds pushed their way between us once again. But as I turned around, I caught a last glimpse of his sparkling eyes and sincere smile.

Going back to the car, a few passers-by were singing, or trying to sing, Billie Jean and Beat It as there was word that Michael Jackson had just won yet another Grammy award.

Still bubbling from my chance meeting, I was humming *his* song.

So what if Jackson broke a record by winning seven Grammy awards. I couldn't be bothered with him or them.

How could I even think of Michael Jackson when I had just met *Mickey Mouse.*

Phone Sweet Home

LONG DISTANCE CONTEST

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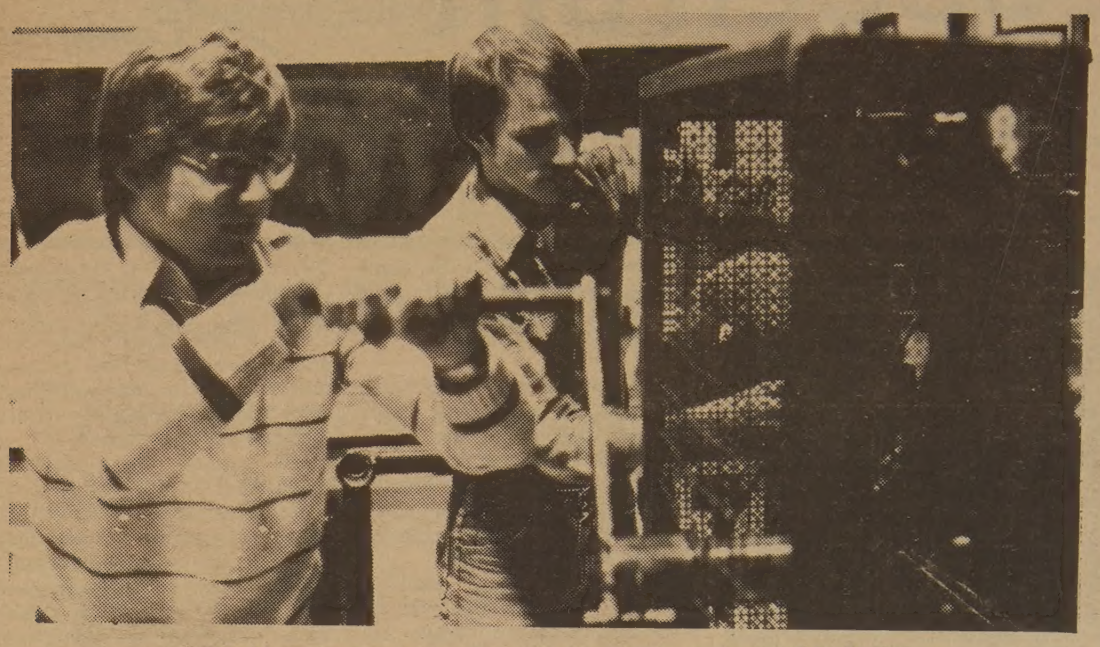
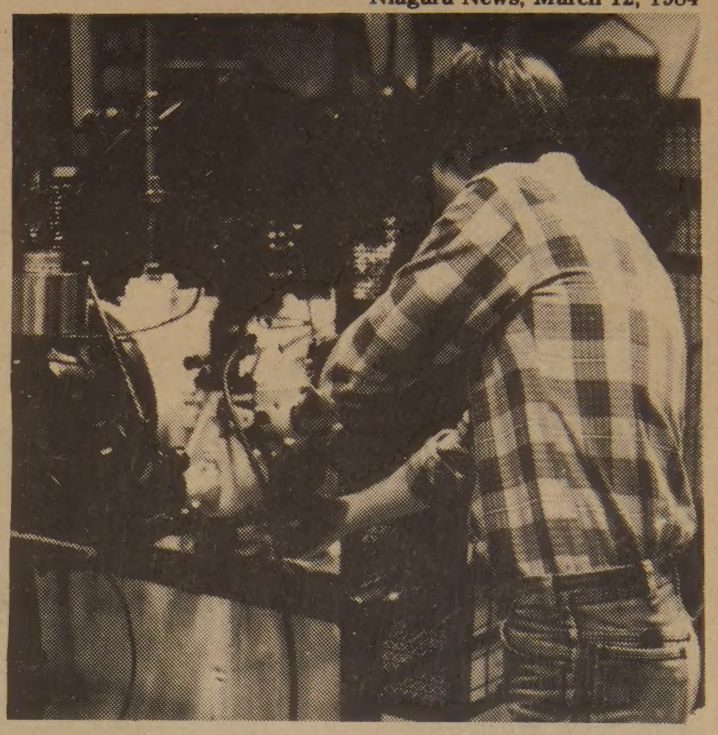
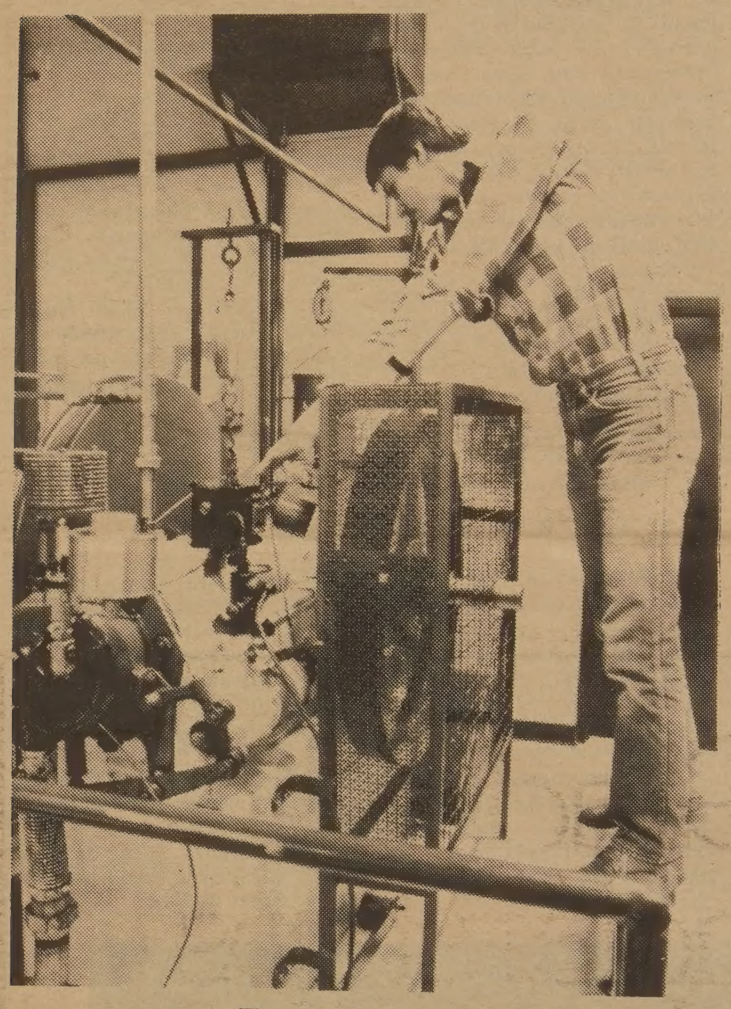
SPOTLIGHT



Cranking the wheel of an old diesel engine manufactured in India.



Student checks the operation of the engine.



The wheel is set in motion.

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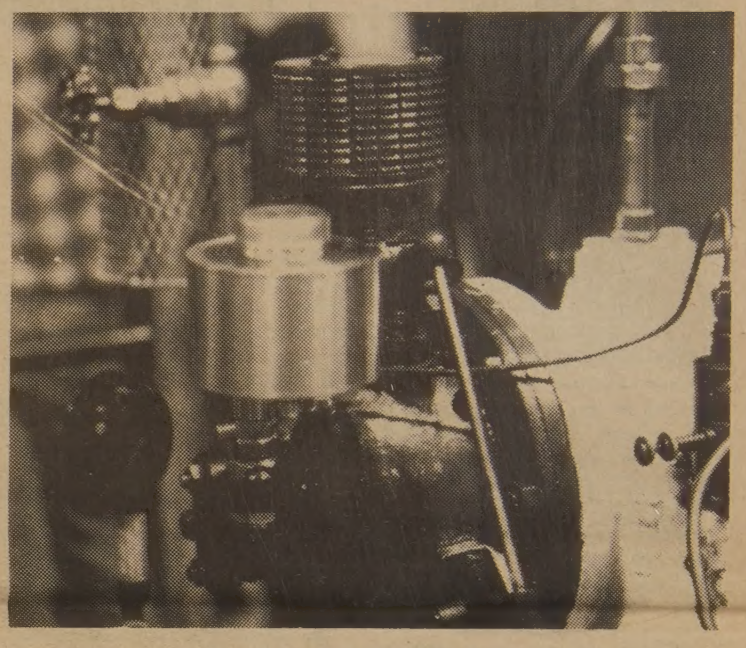
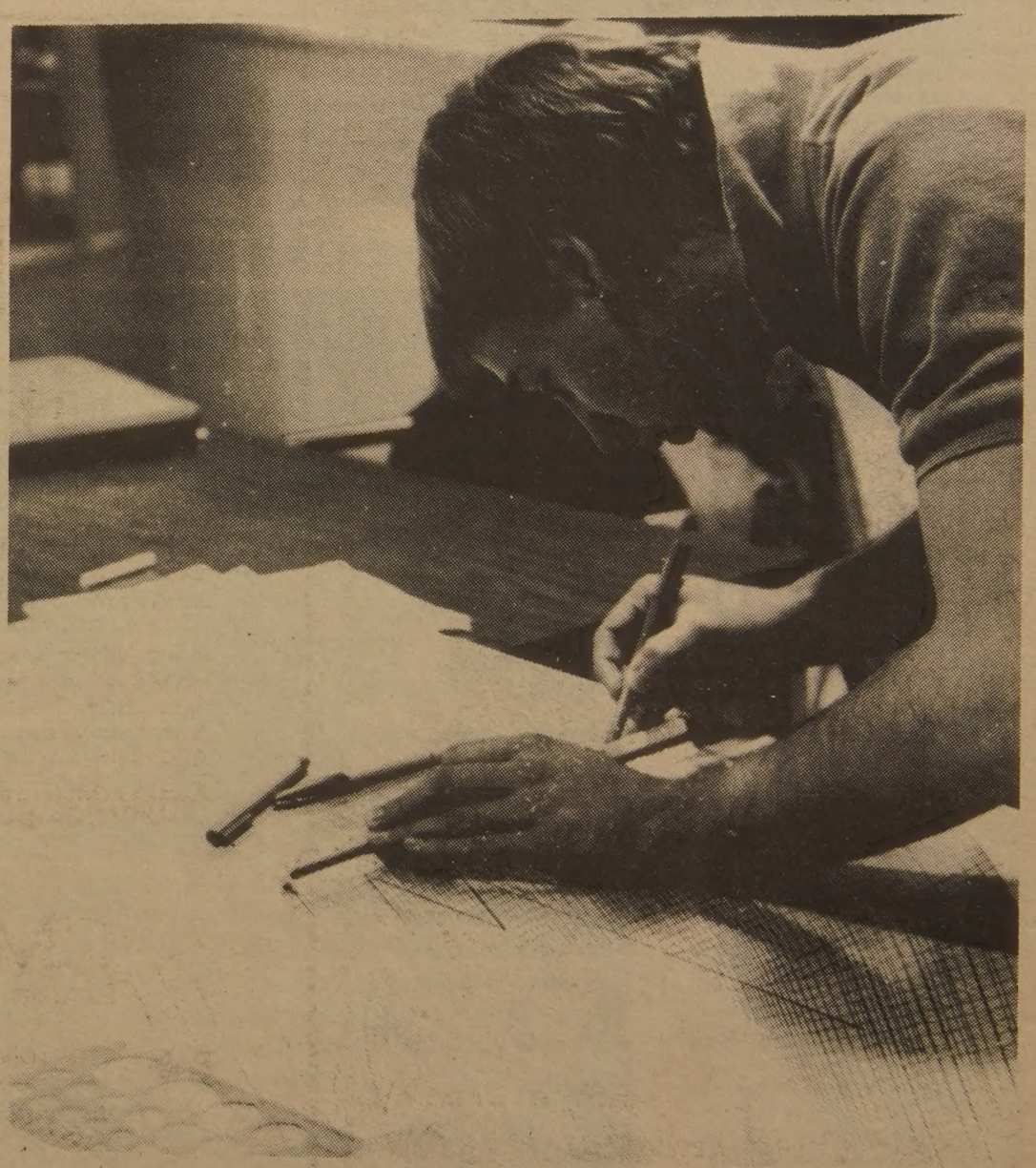


Part of a diesel engine.

Checking the circuit.



Plotting a graph.

Another blizzard hits

MANUAL PLOW

POTENTIAL AVALANCHE

For those lucky enough to get away for the study week, these scenes will help you to realize the difficulties faced by those not so fortunate. The snowstorm, which lasted for two days and kept snow removal crews working overtime, dropped up to 28 inches of snow across southern Ontario. Highways were closed, cars were stranded everywhere, and to add insult to injury, the college was closed. It wasn't much of a holiday for those who remained in the area for the break as most took up shovels to help dig out.

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2 parties, 1 independent running in next week's elections

NC's Choice

NC's Choice will be one of the parties running in the Student Administrative Council (SAC) elections. The party consists of six candidates who are all business administration students. Randy Marshall who was to run as vice-president of finance announced at press time that he was withdrawing.

TONY DIGIOIA
Social Convener

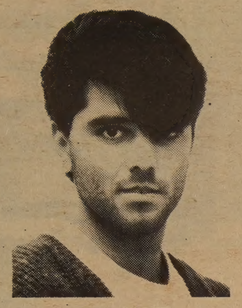
To hold pubs with Brock University is an idea Tony DiGioia will be considering if he is elected social convener for the Student Administrative Council (SAC).

Tony, 20, a second-year financial management student, said he will follow the trend in music for the pubs, but would like to get more bigger name bands.

On the 82/83 SAC, Tony held the position of club convener.

"I am basing my platform on experience since I have been on the student council before."

Tony said another asset is that he has many connections with bands and has a brother working as a recording engineer.



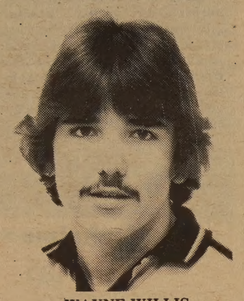
JOHN CROCE
Internal Affairs

To go out and meet students personally to find out their reactions to events is something John Croce would like to do if he is elected vice-president of internal affairs.

John, 19, first-year business admisnistration, said he would still continue with the suggestion boxes.

John, who was a campaign manager in a high school presidential election, said he is in full support of a student centre.

"It is a good idea for future students and it would be a good attraction for applicants. Any way this college can expand would be good and it would also help the morale of students because they would be together."



WAYNE WILLIS
Vice-president

To direct more money into school clubs and give them more support are goals which Wayne Willis will look at if he is elected vice-president.

Wayne, 19, first-year business administration, said he would like to see more money dispersed to pubs and bands.

It would be good to have rallies to help create student participation in sports, he said.

Referring to the student centre, John said, "I think it would be a nice thing in the future."

He has experience from being vice-president on Junior Achievements and was a high school class representative.

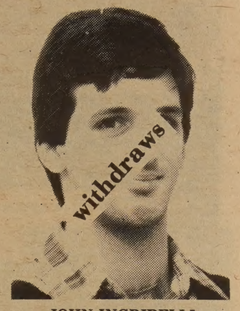
PAUL PREIANO
External Affairs

Rather than having fund-raising campaigns for national charities, Paul Preiano, if elected vice-president of external affairs, said he would like to raise money for charities in the peninsula.

Paul, 19, first-year business administration student, said there would be more satisfaction in seeing how a donation helped a charity.

To increase awareness between students and community businesses and to make students aware of co-op programs available to them are other goals, Paul said.

Paul was on the curriculum committee for the business administration program helping students solve their problems.



JOHN INGRIBELLI
Athletics

To get more sports organized for females is an objective John Ingribelli will consider if he is elected vice-president of athletics.

John, 22, second-year personnel management, said since the men have football as well as basketball, he would like to see more sports available to women.

If elected, he said he would be talking to Peter Rylander, athletic director, about getting more variety of intramural sports.

John has had experience on high school councils and has beern on the men's basketball team for the past two years.

JOHN TURNER
President

To increase student awareness of activities and to encourage participation are some of the objectives John Turner will consider if he is elected president.

John, 22, first-year business administration, said a good way to create student participation is to have people go out and advertise by doing crazy things because it attracts attention.

There is also a need for an increase in intramural sports such as soccer and outdoor baseball.

As for the proposed student centre, John said, "There is a definite need for a centre especially because of overcrowding. Students need a place to relax."

To hold pubs once a month with big name bands is another goal John said he would consider. He said it would be better than having two pubs a month with no-name bands.

John said his experience as a student representative in high school and his work on various committees would help him in this position.

Present, past SAC presidents give candidates tips for election

Meet with the students and get their ideas, wants and needs, is the advice that Denis Noel, Student Administrative Council (SAC) president, and Carmen Angi, former SAC president, offer the candidates running for positions on SAC.

Carmen, who was SAC president for the 1982-83 academic year, said he feels for the candidates and the eventual winners. He said candidates should not rely on scheduled speeches to win student support. "I feel you have to get out into the college and, as a candidate, try to personally speak to as many students as possible."

Denis agreed that an effective method of winning votes is to get out and meet the voters. "You can't be afraid to approach the students." He also recommended that candidates ask teachers for permission to talk to individual classes. He said this would be a good opportunity to contact a group of students at a time. He added that visiting satellite campuses to discuss their wants and needs is very important.

Tuesday, March 6, was originally to be the last day for nominations but because there were only 12 candidates signed up, Denis asked that the nomination period be exteneded for 24 hours.

Disappointed

Carmen said, "I am really disappointed with the low number of nominations and I am hopeful that this will not start a trend." He said working on SAC can be a rewarding experience. "There is a tremendous amount to be gained in terms of experience and applying the knowledge you have been given to date in your individual programs."

Times, places differ for polling stations

Voting in this year's Student Administrative Council (SAC) elections will be held Monday, March 19, at satellite campuses and March 20 at the main campus.

Polling stations at the satellites will be set up from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the main student lounges.

Two stations will be set up at the main campus on Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., one in the cafeteria and the other in the Tecumseh Foyer.

Students in the following programs are to vote in the cafeteria: early childhood education; chemical engineering technician; chemical engineering technology; mechanical engineering technology; bilingual secretary; secretarial arts; secretarial studies; ambulance and emergency care; dicta-typist — health records; health records technician; health sciences preparatory option.

All others will vote in the Tecumseh Foyer.

Vote on...
March 19
(Satellite Campuses)
March 20
(Main Campus)

Elections

Continued from page 1

president for internal affairs. The parties are: the SWAT (Students Willing to Act Together) party led by Charlie Porcelli; and NC's Choice, led by John Turner. Although the parties campaign as a group, voting will be on an individual basis.

The main issues in this election seem to be: better communication between SAC and students, more events with improved participation, and continuing the drive for a student centre.

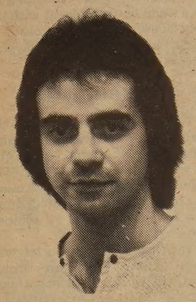
All 14 of the candidates are business administration students. Denis said it is unfortunate that this is the case. "It should be more spread out." He said technology students have a very heavy workload; "this is probably one of the major factors."

A week of campaign speeches will kick off at noon today with the candidates speaking to the students at the Mack school of nursing. Tuesday the candidates will speak at the main campus in the Hamilton Room; Wednesday at the Hotel Centre, Thursday at the Theatre Centre, and Friday at the Horticulture division. All speeches will begin at noon.

The seven positions on the SAC executive are: president; executive vice-president; vice-president for finance; vice-president for internal affairs; vice-president for external affairs; vice-president for athletics; and social convener. There are three candidates for vice-president of internal affairs, one for vice president of finance and two for each of the other positions.

The SWAT Team

The SWAT (Students Willing to Act Together) party has seven candidates who will be running for all the positions in the Student Administrative Council (SAC) elections. They are also business admsinistration students.



CHARLIE PORELLI
President

To have members on the SAC council talk to class representatives at the satellite campuses is an objective Charlie Porelli will consider if he is elected president.

Charlie, 20, first-year accounting student, said if he is elected, he wants students to feel free to come to him with suggestions.

He is in full support of the student centre and said in November he would like to get some plans for the centre and have fund-raising events to help subsidize costs.

Other objectives are to have more pubs and contests. Charlie, who was president in high school, said, "In order to create more student involvement, you have to transmit more information."

If elected, he said he will definitely carry on with SAC's paper, the Knight Tymes.

JENIFER SWIERCZ
Social Convener

To get a wider representation of music at the college and to have theme pubs are some of the objectives Jenifer Swiercz will consider if she is elected social convener.

Jenifer, 25, second-year marketing management student, said during her campaign she would like to talk to students to learn their musical tastes. She said to help promote pubs, "the advertising should be stepped up."

"We need some ideas to stimulate people into participating," she said.

Jenifer has worked for a large manufacturer in which position she organized parties and events; she feels this experience will be an asset to her if she is elected. She also plans to run for president for the Marketing Management Club.

TONY DELLAVENTURA
Internal Affairs

To have the student activity fee reimbursed to students at the nursing campus is an idea Tony Dellaventura will look into if he is elected vice-president of internal affairs.

Tony, 20, second-year marketing management student, said since the nursing students have to pay for parking, he feels they should be reimbursed.

He said he would like to see all the satellite campuses have microwaves.

His biggest objective is for students to "talk to Tony." "The 't' in talk stands for talking to people for the students, the 'a' stands for action they will receive from what they tell me, the 'l' stands for listen to the students to what they have to say and the 'k' stands for knowledge that I have since I've been on student councils before and I am qualified for the job."

BRAD CHATWIN
Athletics

To have recreational programs set up at satellite campuses and to have more support at sporting events are Brad Chatwin's objectives if he is elected vice-president of athletics.

Brad, 29, third-year business administration student, said he would look into getting some kind of gym facilities for satellite campuses in Niagara Falls and St. Catharines such as the YMCA, a public school gym or maybe Brock University.

If elected, he would try to publicize the sports games, give away prizes at these events and maybe get a mascot.

"This year the women's basketball team was in first place and only 30 to 40 people per game came out to support it. We also had a winning men's basketball team where there was also little support."

SUSAN MARACLE
External Affairs

Being a second-year personnel management student, Susan Maracle said if she is elected vice-president of external affairs she would like to represent the college in the community and to inform students about various jobs. She would also suggest having a jobs bulletin board.

Another main objective is to get more students involved in charities. Susan, 32, who is a volunteer for the Canadian chapter of Save the Children, said if students were to get involved with volunteer work, they could even put this experience on their resumes which looks impressive.

Other plans are to go to other colleges and universities to talk to other student councils to get ideas for activities and how events are financed, Susan said.

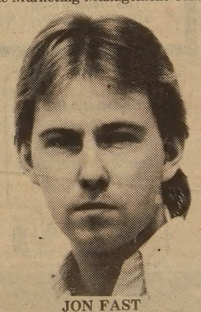
STEVE GILL
Vice-president

To get clubs more organized and to have them work closer with SAC are some of the ideas Steve Gill has in mind if he is elected vice-president.

Steve, 22, second-year data processing management student, said he would like to see more events and advertising. He said a goal is to get more students interested in college activities.

"We need a communication link with satellite campus clubs."

Steve said working part-time as a supervisor will help him in this position because of the responsibilities.



JON FAST
Finance

Communication, co-operation and co-ordination are three important words to Jon Fast if he is elected vice-president of finance for SAC.

Jon, 20, second-year financial management student, said if elected, he will communicate with other SAC members and also with the student body. He will welcome any new ideas, will initiate full co-operation and co-ordinate events and make sure efforts are undertaken.

He was a former finance treasurer of Alpha Omega fraternity and works as a night auditor for a hotel.

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Jim Brickell runs alone

More student participation, better communication, and bringing the student centre closer to reality are the main objectives Jim Brickell plans to accomplish if elected vice-president of internal affairs for the Student Administrative Council.

Jim, a first-year sales and merchandising student, said more student participation can be achieved by having more class events rather than individual contests. "An example of this might be along the lines of Battle of the Network Stars."

To improve communication between SAC and students, Jim said he would use every available means to relay the decisions of SAC to the student body. "I feel that class representatives are an important link in the communication chain."

Bringing the students centre closer to reality is another goal that Jim will try to achieve. "I will work with the other members of SAC to find the best possible ways of making the student centre a reality."

To further encourage participation in SAC events, Jim said prizes could be offered to the class with the highest percentage of entrants. "Having class competitions hopefully will encourage the reps to attend the meeting and thus relay the information to their classes." He said prizes should also be awarded to the first people who sign up to participate in activities.

"You only get out of something what you put into it. Therefore I am running for vice-president of internal affairs so we can all get more out of our next year at Niagara."

JIM BRICKELL
Internal Affairs

Problems with

Mobile polls

The Student Administrative Council (SAC) has rejected the idea of having a travelling polling station for this year's SAC elections.

Denis Noel, SAC president, brought up the idea for the travelling polling station at a meeting Feb. 13. He said by bringing the polling station to the students there would be a better voter response.

The idea had to be scrapped, however, because of the problems in scrutinizing such a station. Denis said it would be impossible to prevent people from voting twice because there would have to be a duplication of the voter list.

With such a duplication, voters could vote at the travelling station and then at a stationary polling station. If SAC could find a solution to this problem, the idea of a travelling station could be revived.

Polling satations will be set up on March 19 at the satellite campuses and on March 20 on the main campus.

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ENTERTAINMENT

MacEwen's Muse

Poet weaves myth, reality

By CHITRA RAMASETHU
Staff Writer

Weaving myth, reality and her "inner experiences" into her poetry, Canadian writer Gwendolyn MacEwen recited her poems to students at Niagara College last Tuesday.

The novelist, playwright, and award-winning poet softly but potently recited selections from "old favorites" and her latest works.

"Now there are no bonds except
the flesh; listen —
there was this boy, Manzini..."

This direct speech approach of the story-teller in Manzini, the Escape Artist, was effective as she related the awesome experience of seeing Houdini-imitator Manzini in Toronto.

The wheel or cycle image is often used in her poems. In Green with Sleep, the "great unspeakable wheel" takes the shape of time which renews the lovers in diurnal time and mythical time recurrences.

The T. E. Lawrence Poems, her recent book, take one into an Arab world. The whole book is written in first person and Ms. MacEwen has assumed the persona of Lawrence of Arabia. She didn't get inside Lawrence's head, she said; "he got inside mine." She said she was possessed by the spirit of Lawrence. Taking poetic liberty, she wrote a few poems after he was dead.

Reciting her poems that are full of life, she was encompassed by an aura of mysticism, her face reflecting serenity.

The Shadow-Maker won her the Governor-General award in 1969. She received the A. J. M. Smith poetry award for The Armies of the Moon, 1973.

Bornin Toronto in 1941, she first published poetry when she was 17 in The Canadian Forum. She has translated, prepared plays and talks for radio, and reads poetry in universities and schools. Her writings include poetry, fiction, a travel book, and juvenile fiction.

A prolific writer, she said her problem is getting rid of excess ideas. "I'm never without a theme.....It's a question of being overwhelmed by ideas."

Appendectomy, Animal Spirits, The Red Bird You Wait For were some of the other poems she read

"You held out the light to light my cigarette," she read from You Held Out the Light.

"But when I leaned down to the flame

GWENDOLYN MACEWEN

It singed my eyebrows and my hair."

One who "chain smoked my way through life," she said she stopped smoking soon after writing that.

Though a scholarship student, she stopped school at Grade 12. But she started out with every grandiose idea it was possible for a young writer to have. "I was arrogant enough to think I'd succeed."

"There's never one analysis," she replied to a question about who the Red Bird is in The Red Bird You Wait For. In mystical language, above is below, what is holy may be obscene, a prayer can be a curse. Her poems are intended to let people draw their own interpretations.

Writing is a way to control reality, which is chaos. Her creation gives some order to chaos, she said.

To young writers she advises: Open the doors to the inner voice; exercise conscious control over poem and instinct.

Quartet provides passion, harmony

By THERESA GRETZINGER
Staff Writer

The passion of harmony between man and his music was breathtakingly displayed Feb. 24 at the Brock Centre for the Arts in St. Catharines.

The Orford String Quartet performed at Brock University three quartets from composers of different periods. Opening with Mozart (1756-1791), they followed with Shostakovich (1906-1975) and concluded with Brahms (1833-1877).

The Orford String Quartet is recognized internationally as one of the finest string quartets in the world and, as the program said, "as one of Canada's national treasures."

The group is composed of Terence Helmer, viola; Andrew Dawes and Kenneth Perkins, violin; and Denis Brott, cello.

Expressive

Throughout the performance, the men moved with the music as if feeling each chord personally. Their expressions were as honest to the music as the music they created was honest to the composers.

In the first, the Mozart piece, the movement began moderately, developing into a stately pace then rushing to a quick pulse. The players appeared to become lost within the emotion of their music.

In the second quartet, composed by Shostakovich, the cellist created background with a long, drawn moan as the viola and violins gave soft tones, creating a mood more mellow than the Mozart piece.

Then the music gained strength and power as a storm within the music broadened. Upon reaching a climax, the music smoothed into a waltz-like movement with the musicians' response etched in their facial expressions, varying according to tempo.

Sweeping

With the Brahms quartet, the music began with richly sweeping character and altered to a slightly wistful and relaxed mood. The movement concluded with a weaving of both tones presented, drawing to a close with an almost-apparent sigh.

The Orford String Quartet, winners of the European Broadcasting Union's International String Quartet Competition in Stockholm, has made more than 30 records.

Their name was adopted from the Orford Arts Centre of Jeunesses Musicales on Mount Orford in Quebec where the founding members met in 1965.

Mr. Helmer, Mr. Dawes and Mr. Perkins are each founding members. Marcel St-Cyr was also a founding member and the cellist of the group but was replaced by Mr. Brott when he left to pursue new interests in early music.

Money for French study

Up to $3,000 is made available by the department of the Secretary of State for full-time post-secondary French students willing to spend eight hours a week supervising students in French or French immersion schools in the area.

Jocelyne Briggs, publicity and liaison officer of French Language Services, said eligible students will spend six hours a week in public and secondary schools monitoring students in French courses. Two hours will be spent for preparation.

Students interested in applying for this program may see Mrs. Briggs in French Language Services, Hennepin Hall, early this week.

Talented actors wanted

Aspiring actors can put their talents to the test in Niagara falls March 16 and 17. The Firehall Theatre on Kitchener and Walnut Streets will hold auditions for Jitters, a play by David French.

The play, a Canadian comedy about a Toronto theatre company, is scheduled to go on stage April 27, 28 and 29, and May 3, 4 and 5.

Those interested may call 356-9277 for further information.

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Centre Stage gives Love Course

By THERESA GRETZINGER
Staff Writer

Misty shades of undefined romance fade under the piercing spotlight of reality in The Love Course, a play performed by the Centre Stage Company for the Niagara College Theatre Centre.

Centre Stage, a company based in Toronto, performed Feb. 20 for the students and faculty after rehearsing through September and beginning the tour at the end of that month. From October to mid-November they had spent 5½ weeks touring northern Ontario and then toured this area.

The Love Course, written by A. R. Gurney, is about a female instructor, Professor Carroway, portrayed by Judith Orban, becoming caught up in a self-imposed whirlpool of idealistic romance surrounding authors who have written about love, from Plato to the most contemporary writer. Professor Carroway co-instructs the Love Course with a reluctant Professor Burgess, portrayed by David Brown. Burgess and Carroway present the course to students through private conversation. Through their private dialogue the story unfolds, as does a lesson in love.

Toward the conclusion of the play, Professor Burgess, a married man, attempts to draw the unrealistic course to a conclusion by suggesting Carroway's contract for teaching not be renewed.

The conflict includes a prize student of the Love Course, Sally, portrayed by Denise Baillargeon, and her boyfriend Mike, played by Matt Kerr.

Denise is a reflection of Professor Carroway in her idealism, and Mike, an electrical engineering student auditing the course, is a reluctant participant in the conflict. He at first appears to be merely a go-between and errand boy, but ends up posing realistic questions to Denise, demanding a full description of love according to the Love Course, doubting he will be satisfied with the answers.

A fine sense of humor runs through the play with the actors giving the essence of reality to each role. Props were minimal — a chalkboard, desk with books, and a chair.

The company tours mostly high schools and finds the need to constantly adapt to different situations when students react to their identification with the play, Mr. Brown said.

Ms. Orban cited an example from Trinity College in Port Hope. When Plato and contemporary playwrights were mentioned, or their plays, the audience of students would groan in dismay, adding more reality to the play. The reaction suited the situation so well, Ms. Orban said, it was as if they were part of the play.

Mr. Brown chuckled as he recalled staging the performance for Grade 10 students. He said in the discussion periods after, "a little face will look up and say 'But, what is love?' "

Reality confronts Professor Carroway and Sally at the conclusion of the play and the grand illusions of idealistic romance dissolve in the somewhat acidic reality of life.

Blue Peter performed at the Feb. 23 pub to a responsive audience. Playing new wave music, they kept the audience dancing all night.

Secretarial co-op students to receive career seminar

A seminar for secretarial co-operative studies students this Thursday will discuss job opportunities, especially for bilingual secretaries.

The career seminar, to be held in the Secord Room at 12.15 p.m., will be a bilingual presentation by three Ontario ministries. French language co-ordinators from each of the ministries will discuss types of jobs available and their requirements.

Robert Bourassa, from the ministry of consumer and commercial relations, Stephane Grenon, from the ministry of labor, and Ronald Leblanc, from the ministry of health, will talk about how students are interviewed and tested for positions with the Ontario government.

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Seminar guests

Relate job experience

By SUE GRECO
Staff Writer

Most students who graduate from college programs cannot deny deep feelings of insecurity when it comes time to enter the job world.

They wonder whether they have sufficient ability to get that first job.

Representatives from the Ontario Institute of Quantity Surveyors (OIQS) spoke to construction engineering technology students about how they reached their present positions and what it was like for them after graduation.

Paul Crocker, president of OIQS, and Linn Marron-Marshal, who is involved with the education of the institute, spoke at the seminar on Feb. 24.

Up-date

Mr. Crocker brought students up to date on the activities of OIQS and what the quantity surveyor can expect in today's market.

Mrs. Marron-Marshal said the institute's educational program comprises a set curriculum of 22 examination subjects. There are also separate courses for quantity surveyors specializing in mechanical and electrical installations and the institute has a separate division for members qualifying through this course. Candidates must obtain a credit (or exemption) in each subject, be at least 21 years of age and have a minimum of two years employment in Canada in quantity surveying capacity acceptable to the institute.

Mr. Crocker said he would not hire an estimator who was not a member of the institute.

He said after he entered the working field he became aware of the lack of training he had received directly for the correct way of taking up quantities, measuring quantities and putting together an estimate.

A member of the institute has a better chance of getting a job because of the institute requirements. An owner of a construction company can hire a member of the institute knowing he or she has reached a certain standard.

Mrs. Marron-Marshal said Niagara College has 19 of the 22 credits that are needed to enter the institute. She said Fanshawe College is the only one that has all 22.

For students who need the additional three credits, she said the institute can set up a program telling students what books to read to prepare for the exam that is held twice a year.

Dinner

Following the seminar, instructors, students and guests enjoyed a dinner organized by Niagara College's Construction Club.

Tickets were $7.50 each and the club paid $4 of each ticket for every member of the club who attended.

Following the seminar, Miro Corak, second-year construction engineering technology student and secretary of the club, presented both Mr. Crocker and Mrs. Marron-Marshal with a gift in appreciation for taking the time to come from London, Ont. to speak.

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Tables turn on photographer

Cec Mitchell, photographer for the Welland Evening Tribune, talks about one of his photographs to a student. Mr. Mitchell spoke to second-year journalism students on March 6 about equipment, equipment prices and some of his experiences in a 32-year career. (Photo by Sue Greco)

How to play stock market, tips for gamblers, hoarders

By JUDY MCEWEN
Staff Writer

Some overly-cautious people hoard their extra money under the mattress. Others blow it on lottery tickets, horse races and poker games. Both types want to get rich or at least comfortable.

Both will lose in the end. The hoarder will find the crows of inflation have eaten away most of his nest egg. The gambler will learn an expensive lesson in the law of averages.

Somewhere in between are the stock market investors.

"In 1981 the place (for money) to be was in the bank" because interest rates were so high, Thom Ratkovsky, of Dominion Securities Ames Limited, St. Catharines, said. But "with the economy now, money should be in the stock market."

Broker

So how does a person knowledgeably play the stock market? First, "select a broker with a proven track record." You'll find him by talking to friends, neighbors or relatives and getting their recommendations.

Get in tune yourself. Read the Globe and Mail — "more importantly, the business section. Study economic forecasts," Mr. Ratkovsky said.

The broker, in turn, wants to know what your goals are and what type of investment you are interested in. Mr. Ratkovsky also gives clients "a firm understanding of exactly what the investor is getting into."

There is a type of stock for every temperment. Solid safe stocks like "Bell preferred," don't fluctuate much in price but shareholders get nice dividend cheques.

Gamblers can choose higher-risk stocks which pay small or no dividends, but the share price may move enough to make money for the seller or buyer.

Whatever you decide to buy, always "calculate the risk-reward ratio" and never invest money you can't afford to lose, Mr. Ratkovsky said.

Novice investors should start with "a couple of thousand dollars" to buy "100 shares of good quality stock."

A broker's advice is free for the asking but it will cost you three per cent (with a minimum of $45) of the transaction when you buy or sell your shares.

How does Mr. Ratkovsky handle hot tips? "With a pair of gloves," he answered vehemently.

"The key phrase" in judging which stocks will do well, he said, is the ability "to identify sectors that will be strong." For instance, in this period of expansion, brokers are looking at "undervalued stocks in the automotive sector." He explained that cars and related products haven't sold very well the last couple years. Now people are buying them again "at record levels," but some stock prices haven't caught up to their values.

For example, Uniroyal, Magna International and Hayes Dana have all "been good performers."

After studying economic trends and identifying strong sectors, the broker researches "specific industries" to learn their financial health and potential for growth.

Finally, he will compare the company's price per share with its earnings per share. A 10/1 ratio is good, he said.

Ignores ratios

Investors sometimes ignore price/earnings ratios when a certain sector booms. Mr. Ratkovsky used Dome Petroleum as an example. Shares in that company, once the investors' darling, were driven to $25 by eager buyers, although the company's earnings per share were only $1. When the oil glut hit the market, the price started to fall. Wise investors sold at a small loss. Others hung on, hoping the price would go back up. Dome Petroleum now sells for around $4 per share.

"Once you know the market is going against you, it's best to cut your losses and run," Mr. Ratkovsky said.

And if you're a wise investor, "10 per cent of your yearly income should be salted away (banked) for the great horizon" (future).

Computers on display

By DON BERNARD
Staff Writer

In an awesome display reminiscent of Star Trek, the Microcomputers in Engineering seminar attracted more than 200 interested observers, with 183 registration forms filled.

Purpose of the seminar, held Feb. 16 in front of the Secord Room and inside the Hamilton Room, was to acquaint people with the use of microcomputers in the workplace. Topics included a discussion on the impact of microcomputers and the related training of equipment users.

Brian McKeown, development officer in continuing education, said he was pleased with the turnout of participants for this seminar co-sponsored by the college, Niagara Chapters of the Engineering Institute of Canada and the Association of Professional Engineers of Ontario.

SEMINAR STAR

The Robotic Vision System, designed and programmed by Keith Dixon, was the star of the seminar. Mr. Dixon, a professional engineer, said his $17,000 computer can identify objects on an assembly belt and program a robot to pick up the pieces.

The system consists of a video camera mounted on top of an assembly belt and connected to a computer terminal. The camera sends pictures of objects to the conputer for removal from the assembly line.

Another popular computer was a Radio Shack TRS-80 programmed by Archie Jamieson, an instructor in the school of busines. The computer handles a large quantity of numbers and does statistical charts, Mr. Jamieson said.

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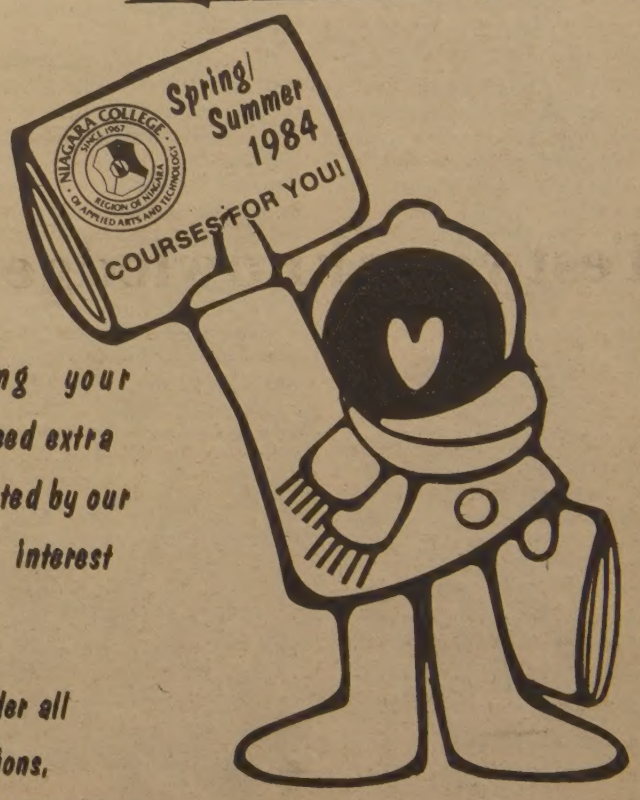

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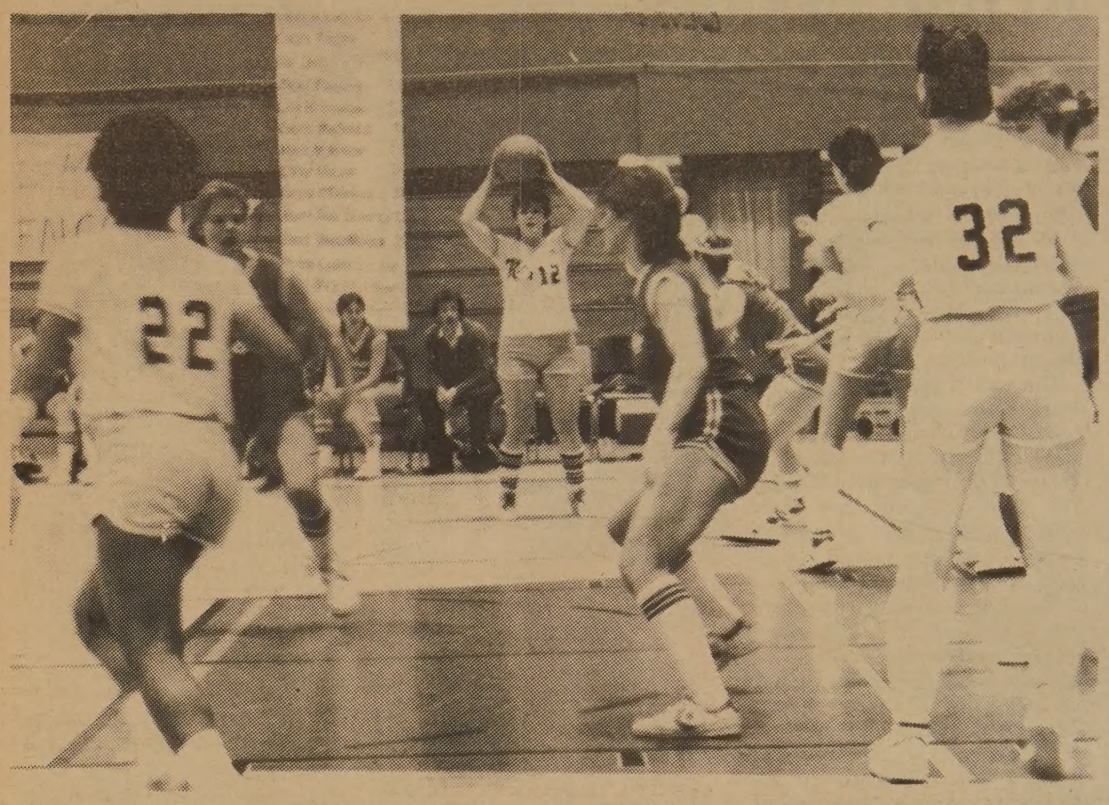
Mather, Helstab all-★★★s

Niagara Knights women's basketball coach Russ Stevenson was honored with the Coach of the Year award, an honor which he shared with George Brown's coach Albert DaSilva.

Nancy Mather of Niagara was chosen for the first all-star team, and Judy Helstab for the second all-star team.

Judy Helstab and teammate Vickie Partington also picked up most valued player awards for the playoff.

Women's b-ball team suffers heartbreaking loss



Fanshawe teammates look on as Vickie Partington of the Knights prepares to throw ball into action in Niagara's final game against the Fanshawe Falcons for the Ontario championship. Judy Helstab, 32, and Paula Vincent, 22, of Niagara are looking for an opening as Fanshawe's ace shooter, Theresa Colizza (middle of picture), and other Fanshawe defenders prepare for action.
(Photo by Murray Stewart)

By MURRAY STEWART
Staff Writer

It was a tough last-second loss for the Niagara Knights women's basketball team when they lost 54-53 to the Fanshawe Falcons March 3 at Mohawk College in the Ontario Colleges' basketball finals.

The dramatic contest was won by the Falcons in the final second of the game as Fanshawe's Theresa Colizza sank a jump shot from the top of the key.

The Knights had defeated the Mohawk Mountaineers 66-62 the previous night to gain entry into the final.

It was no easy task for the Mountaineers had led throughout the game till the closing minutes of play; the Knights kept pressing the Mohawk team and with strong performances from Cheryl Anderson and Judy Helstab, the Knights made their comeback.

Turnovers late in the game cost Mohawk the upset victory and alert plays by Vickie Partington and Rose DiMarco gave the Knights the edge they needed to get back into the game.

Strong performances from Paula Vincent, who netted 16 points and Rose DiMarco who shot for 14 allowed the Knights to come back from the deficit which at one point was 14 points in favor of the Mountaineers.

Coach Russ Stevenson said, "The girls kept at it and kept their heads; Cheryl Anderson came off the bench to play a very good game and did the job."

AGAINST FANSHAWE

In the final game, Fanshawe had held a lead over Niagara through the early stages of the game, getting behind the Knights' defence and shooting well from outside the key.

Niagara's Judy Helstab and Paula Vincent played aggressive games driving well under the boards and getting the Knights on track. Niagara tied the game at 20-20 in the late stages of the first half on a shot by Rose DiMarco and edged ahead on a jump shot from Vickie Partington for the first time in the game.

Fanshawe's ace shooter Maria Colizza put the Falcons back in the lead at the 17-minute mark of the first half as the teams traded baskets in the fast and aggressive game.

Both teams missed good opportunities and were kept to a defensive game as they had trouble dominating the boards in the opposition's end.

They traded the lead throughout the later stages of the first half till Vickie Partington put the Knights on top again with two minutes remaining followed by a good inside play from Partington to Helstab which put the Knights up by two baskets. Judy Helstab netted a foul shot which gave the Knights the lead 30-26 at the end of the first half.

AGGRESSIVE HALF

The Falcons had played an aggressive first half continually pressing the Knights, but good hustle from Paula Vincent and Vickie Partington kept the Niagara team on track.

The pace picked up in the second half as both teams were driving towards the boards. The Knights attempted several inside passes but were caught on turnovers and the Falcons scored on the opportunities.

The lead continued to juggle back and forth, in the early moments of the second half but Niagara ran into a slow spot. Fanshawe scored on their attempts as the Knights were missing and they pulled ahead by five points.

Niagara couldn't penetrate the Fanshawe defence and were held scoreless for nearly five minutes till Rose DiMarco hit for two foul shots.

Assistant Coach Misette Critelli said, "The flat spots hurt us and the final flat spot at the end of the game cost us the game."

With five minutes remaining, the Falcons had a 48-42 lead and extended that lead to eight with excellent shooting from the Collizza sisters and Lisa Hutchinson. Inaccurate shooting plagued the Knights as the Falcons continued to dominate defensively and held a five-point edge with two minutes remaining in the second half.

3 QUICK BASKETS

Fanshawe's big shooters, Lisa Hutchinson and Maria Colizza, were fouled out of the game, and Niagara scored three quick baskets to take the lead 53-52 with only 12 seconds left in the game.

Fanshawe had possession of the ball in the final seconds and the last-second shot came from one of the Falcons' top shooters, Theresa Colizza, to give them the Ontario Championship.

"We certainly never gave up hope; I felt we were always coming back, but the girls deserve outstanding credit they really gave it all," Miss Critelli said.

"Judy Helstab had an excellent game as did Vickie Partington, Paula Vincent and Rose DiMarco," she said.

Men's Knights lose by three

Playoff hopes for the men's basketball team were halted March 5 when they were defeated 72-69 in a closely played game at Humber College.

The Knights played well during the game holding Humber to a minimal lead throughout.

"The team played with a lot of guts and class, but we didn't get the breaks," Paul Deeton said.

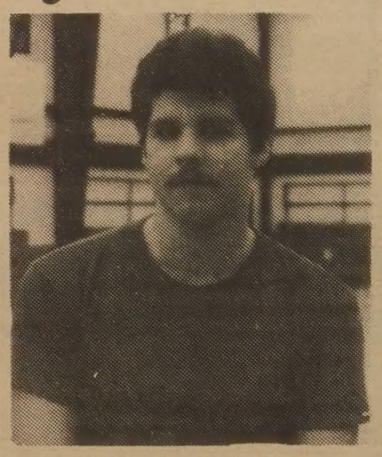
Niagara continually pressed Humber with good plays but couldn't get the edge. Neither team had full control of the boards as both were rebounding well.

"We played well enough to win, but like other games during the season, we weren't consistent enough," Mr. Deeton said.

BEHIND AT HALF

The Knights were behind 38-31 at the half, although the play was fast and close and the Knights had looked impressive scoring on given opportunities.

The second half was played with more body contact and the Knights closed the gap but were unable to gain an impressive lead.



DON CAMPBELL

"We had a chance in the final 20 seconds of the game, but we failed to score; it's been a very up and down season, but the kids all deserve a lot of credit," Mr. Deeton said.

Niagara finished tied for fifth spot with a 14-10 record sharing the spot with Sheridan and Seneca colleges.

Mr. Deeton noted the steady play of Don Campbell and Mark Ford who contributed strong play throughout the season. "John Mataya played well for the team as did newcomers Greg Thiesson and Alex Cattrysse," he said.

??? Sports quiz ???

Test your knowledge

1) When was the last time the Canadian Olympic team won a gold medal in hockey?

2) Which team has won the most All-Star games, the Wales conference or the Campbell?

3) Who holds the record for the most goals in one year by a Montreal Canadian?

4) Who was known in baseball circles as the Georgian Peach?

5) In what baseball park is left field known as death valley?

6) What hurler has spun the most no-hitters in baseball history?

7) What former Philadelphia 76er was known as chocolate thunder?

8) Who was the first North American skier to win a downhill world cup title?

9) Who is seond in all-time rushing yards in the NFL behind Jim Brown?

10) What former track star is now a wide receiver in the NFL?

ANSWERS

1. 1952
2. Wales with 5
3. Steve Shutt with 60
4. Ty Cobb
5. New York's Yankee Stadium
6. Nolan Ryan with 5
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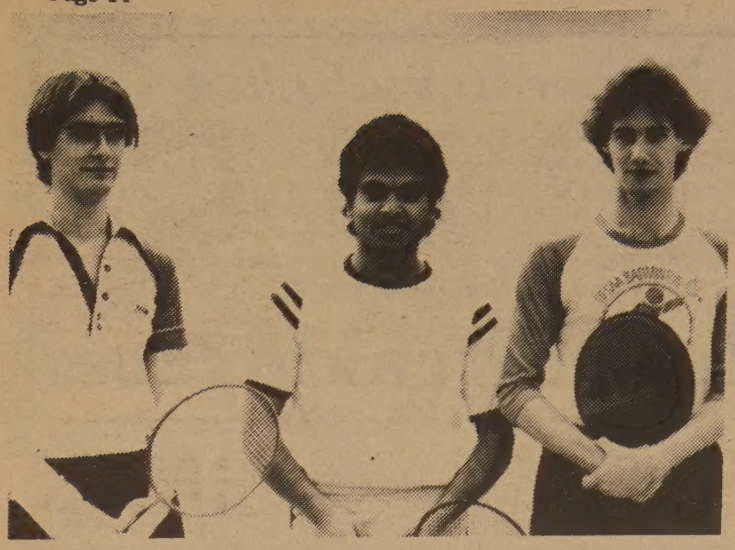

Niagara's badminton doubles team is preparing for the Canadian championships in Montreal March 20 at which Niagara will represent Ontario. Left to right: Tom Peat, Atul Sachdeva [manager], Mark Nelson. (Photo by Murray Stewart)

Peat, Nelson capture badminton title

By DON ROSS
Staff Writer

The Niagara College badminton team will have its first representatives ever at the Canadian Nationals after Tom Peat and Mark Nelson won the provincial men's doubles championship.

The Peat-Nelson team captured the Ontario championship in North Bay Feb. 24 and 25 by beating Algonquin 15-13 and 15-8 in the gold medal round.

They were ranked first heading into the medal round losing one match out of five — to Algonquin — in a tight three-game match.

"Now that they have won the provincials any victories from here on will just be gravy for them," coach Dave Carpenter said. "I expected them to win the regionals but was really thrilled to see them take the provincials."

Peat and Nelson won the west regionals in Kitchener in early February finishing in front of five other teams to propel them to the provincials.

Two teams from the west, south and eastern divisions played at the North Bay tournament to decide whch team would represent Ontario in Montreal on March 20. Peat and Nelson beat teams from Toronto in the southern division and a very tough Algonquin team in the east to qualify for the nationals.

"This is fantastic for our college," Pete Rylander, athletic director, said. "We haven't had anyone make the nationals in ths six years they have been run."

Team, athlete of week

Paul Coutu of Canadore College was named the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association player of the week for the week ending March 4.

Paul scored four goals to lead the Candore Panthers men's hockey team to a 9-2 win over the Humber Hawks in the Tier 1 semifinals.

The Seneca Scouts were named team of the week as they captured the women's hockey championship to end their 1983-84 season undefeated.

Including regular season and championship play, the Scouts were 14-0 and outscored the opposition 106-11.

Curling team victim of bad breaks, luck

By DON ROSS
Staff Writer

The Niagara Knights rinks played some of their best curling of the year, but fell victim to a few bad breaks at the Western regionals and missed out on their chance to make the Ontario championships.

It will be the first time in three years Niagara has not been in the championships.

The mixed team consisting of Mark Brillon, Monica Maier, Bill Snure and Diana Bakker won three of four regularly scheduled games at the regionals in Windsor Feb. 24 and 25. But they bowed out to Lambton 10-9 in overtime in the qualifying match for the Ontario championships.

The men's team of Don Kretz, Steve Jelbert and Bill Harris played well also, finishing one game out of a first place tie with two other teams. The men lost the final regular scheduled game 8-6 to Mohawk in a game to decide who would advance to the Western championships round. They gave a stout-hearted effort despite playing without the services of one of their players and being forced to go with three men.

DON KRETZ

TIE FOR FIRST

The mixed team finished the tournament in a three-way tie for first place with Lambton and Fanshawe and straws were draw for a bye into the finals. Fanshawe won and Niagara and Lambton had to battle for the final spot.

It was a crushing loss for Niagara who played superbly throughout the tournament, rolling past St. Clair 12-5 and doubling Lambton and Mohawk by scores of 10-5 and 8-4.

In the playoff against Lambton, the Knights had an 8-2 lead with three ends remaining but saw Lambton storm back to tie in the last end.

"That was by far our best performance of the year," coach Don Pappel said. "We had been getting badly beaten all year and fought well against some pretty tough teams in this tournament. We were only a rock away from tying it in overtime but the Lambton skip managed to just sweep it out of the house."

"Mark Brillon (the Niagara skip) played just great and really carried the team," manager Bob Young said.

The loss meant that Niagara did not have a representation in the Ontario championships to be held last weekend in St. Catharines and Niagara Falls.

Niagara plays host to curling

Curlers in the Niagara Region will be interested to hear that top notch curling will occur in St. Catharines Golf and Country Club and the Niagara Falls Curling Club will be the sites of the 1984 Ontario Community College Provincial Curling Championships.

Approximately 120 college students will participate in three categories — men, women, and mixed. Eight teams will qualify in each category for 24 teams in all.

Competition will be keen since the top teams from this event will represent Ontario in the 1984 Canadian College Championships at Caribou College in British Columbia, March 29-31. For further information contact Peter Rylander at extension 681 or Bob Young at 671.

10 km run

A 10-Kilometre Run for Glory will be held Sunday, April 15, at 9:00 a.m. with proceeds going to the Ontario March of Dimes. To register call the Ontario March of Dimes at 425-0501.

The Producers Consortium Corporation is co-ordinating the race which begins opposite Nathan Phillips Square at City Hall on Bay Street, travels through inner city Toronto, along the Rosedale Valley Road, and finishes on Wellington Street behind the Roy Thomson Hall.

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Hockey Knights suffer one-goal loss in semifinal

By BILL POTRECZ
Staff Writer

The hockey Knights lost by a one-goal margin in the semifinals for the second year in a row as they dropped a heart-breaking 5-4 decision to Buffalo State March 2 in Cheektowaga.

"Overall it was a good game for us and if we had a few more bodies we might have been able to withstand all the penalties," coach Fred Bassi said.

The Knights reached the semifinals as Niagara University, the Knights' quarterfinal opponents, were snowed-in and had to forfeit.

The Knights jumped out to a quick 3-0 lead on a goal by Captain Dave O'Laughlin, and two by Scott Laing. Buffalo State scored before the end of the period to trail 3-1 after one.

The Knights seemed to lose their intensity in the middle frame as their tenacious forechecking had the Knights bottled up in their own end for most of the period.

"Our defence got caught flat-footed a few times and this let their players go wide and get good opportunities," Mr. Bassi said.

SHOWED HUSTLE

The Knights came out in the third period and showed the hustle that gave them a 3-0 lead in the opening frame. Gary Kukoly missed a breakaway early but then deflected a shot from the point into the net to give the Knights a 4-3 lead.

The officiating then began to become a factor as the referee called numerous penalties on the Knights — infractions Mr. Bassi said should have been overlooked.

"In such an important game, those penalties should not be called," Mr. Bassi said.

Captain Dave O'Laughlin echoed the sentiments of the coach but didn't use the officiating as an excuse.

"The refs didn't cost us the game but we didn't get any breaks. You can't blame the refs."

The Bengals took advantage of the opportunity and with 12 minutes left, tied the score on a fine end to end rush.

Matt English scored the eventual game-winning goal — also on a powerplay — with nine minutes left as goaltender Greg Yari tried to pokecheck the puck away but it somehow eluded the backstop and went in.

PLAYED WELL

"Greg played a good game for us," Mr. Bassi said. "He was there when we needed him."

The Knights made a valiant effort to knot the score but couldn't get another goal past Bengals' goalie Chris Karwas.

With four minutes left the Knights took another needless penalty and this hurt their chances of tying the game. Mr. Bassi pulled Yari in favor of an extra attacker in the dying minutes but the Knights fell short.

Overall Mr. Bassi said he was pleased with the Knights and said the players gave it a "hell of an effort."

The only sour note in the game was the disgusting behavior of the Buffalo State fans — many of whom were drunk. They constantly shouted obscenities at the players and even spit on them. "The fans get to you sometimes," O'Laughlin said.

The Knights finished the regular season in third place with a 10-4 record with O'Laughlin the leading scorer with 11 goals and 21 assists in 14 regular season games.

Joe Eberhardt of the Bengals was the league's scoring champion with 24 goals and 48 points in 14 games.

Buffalo State goaltender Chris Karwas does the butterfly as he thwarts the Knights' scoring opportunity. The Knights lost to the Bengals 5-4 in the semifinals to end their season.
(Photo by Bill Potrecz)

McDonnell all-star defencemen

Gary McDonnell, a first-year computer-engineering student, was name to the 1983-84 International Collegiate Hockey League all-star team.

Gary, a defenceman from St. Catharines, was cited for his outstanding work on the Niagara College Knights' blueline. Buffalo State and the University of Rochester each placed three players on the team including most valuable player (MVP) Joe Eberhardt from the Bengals.

Yellowjackets sting Knights 5-3

By BILL POTRECZ
Staff Writer

The hockey Knights lost their first game on home ice in 18 decisions as the Rochester Yellowjackets defeated them 5-3.

The Knights had numerous opportunities early in the game Feb. 18; however, they hit three goalposts and Yellowjackets' goaltender Jim Hennesey came up big on several occasions.

Rochester scored the only goal of the opening period on a power play as Rick Alessi was left unattended in the slot and fired a hard shot past Knights' goaltender Kevin Williams.

The visitors opened up a 2-0 lead in the second period when Rick Hurwitz scored on what seemed like a harmless shot from long range.

"They outplayed us in every department," coach Fred Bassi said. "They outhit us and their goaltending was superior."

The Knights continued to hustle and press but could not dent the armor of the Yellowjackets' backstop.

"We had some good chances early but when we didn't score we got uptight and took foolish penalties — especially in their end," Mr. Bassi said.

The Knights finally scored as Dennis Iamarino potted a rebound past Hennesy on a power play opportunity to trail 2-1 after two periods.

Tony Solazzo, George Young and Mark Wood rounded out the scoring for Rochester while Al Cousineau — moved to defence due to injuries — and Jim Long from a bad angle scored for the Knights.

The game featured rough and chippy play throughout as evidenced by more than the usual number of slashing and roughing penalties to both sides.

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